

**DELIBERATIVE DRAFT: FOR INTERNAL DISCUSSION**

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[FRL- ; Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2011-0895]**

**Draft Research Report: Investigation of Ground Water Contamination near Pavillion,  
Wyoming**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

**ACTION:** Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period

**SUMMARY:** EPA is announcing an extension to the public comment period for the external review of the draft research report titled, "Investigation of Ground Water Contamination near Pavillion, Wyoming." The draft research report was prepared by the National Risk Management Research Laboratory, within the EPA Office of Research and Development, and EPA Region 8. This draft research report is not final as described in EPA's Information Quality Guidelines, and does not represent and should not be construed to represent Agency policy or views. The decision to extend the public comment period will provide EPA the opportunity to post additional technical information on the web. This includes additional details on how the study was conducted; recent information from Phase V sampling; and initial responses with additional records, if available, addressing issues commonly raised by stakeholders. In addition, EPA

intends to meet with stakeholders who have an interest in the investigation. Eastern Research

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Group, Inc., an EPA contractor for external peer review, will convene an independent panel of experts for peer review of this draft research report. Public comments submitted during the public comment period will be made available to the peer review panel for consideration in their review. An external peer review meeting will take place following the public comment period. An additional Federal Register notice will be published about one month prior to the meeting to provide the meeting date, location, and registration information. Additional details about the peer review process can be found at:

[http://cfpub.epa.gov/si/si\\_public\\_pra\\_view.cfm?dirEntryID=240345](http://cfpub.epa.gov/si/si_public_pra_view.cfm?dirEntryID=240345)

**DATES:** The public comment period began December 14, 2011, and ends ~~July 31~~~~January 15~~, 2013. Comments should be submitted to the docket or received in writing by EPA by ~~July~~~~31~~~~January 15~~, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** The draft "Investigation of Ground Water Contamination near Pavillion, Wyoming." is available via the Internet on the EPA Region 8 site at:

[http://www.epa.gov/region8/superfund/wy/pavillion/EPA\\_ReportOnPavillion\\_Dec-8-2011.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/region8/superfund/wy/pavillion/EPA_ReportOnPavillion_Dec-8-2011.pdf).

Comments may be submitted electronically via <http://www.regulations.gov>, by e-mail, by mail, by facsimile, or by hand delivery/courier. Please follow the detailed instructions provided in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** For information on the docket, [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), or the public comment period, please contact the Office of Environmental Information (OEI) Docket

(Mail Code: 2822T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-1753; or e-mail: [ORD.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:ORD.Docket@epa.gov).

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Information about Pavillion Ground Water Investigation**

Pavillion, Wyoming is located in Fremont County, about 20 miles northwest of Riverton. The concern at the site is potential ground water contamination, based on resident complaints about smells, tastes, and adverse changes in water quality of their domestic wells. In collaboration with ORD, Region 8 has been conducting a ground water investigation. The purpose of this ground water investigation is to better understand the basic ground water hydrology and how the constituents of concern may be occurring in the aquifer. More information is available at <http://www.epa.gov/region8/superfund/wy/pavillion/>.

##### **II. How to Submit Comments to the Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>**

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2011-0895, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail: [ORD.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:ORD.Docket@epa.gov).

- Facsimile: 202-566-1753.
- Mail: Office of Environmental Information Docket (Mail Code: 2822T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460. The telephone number is 202-566-1752. If you provide comments by mail, please submit one unbound original with pages numbered consecutively, and three copies of the comments. For attachments, provide an index, number pages consecutively with the comments, and submit an unbound original and three copies.
- Hand Delivery: The OEI Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is 202-566-1744. Deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. If you provide comments by hand delivery, please submit one unbound original with pages numbered consecutively, and three copies of the comments. For attachments, provide an index, number pages consecutively with the comments, and submit an unbound original and three copies.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2011-0895. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. It is EPA's policy to include all comments it receives in the public docket without change and to make the comments available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided,

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*Docket:* All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the OEI Docket in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center.

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Dated:

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Director, National Risk Management Research Laboratory

